

local community, and, has resulted in the Chapter being selected as the 2020–2021 Small Chapter of the Year by the 100 Black Men of America, Inc.

The 100 Black Men of Grenada also established a partnership with the Finch-Henry Job Corps Center to refer, mentor and assist enrollees with clothing, college books, scholarships, and other needs. They also organized the first 100 Black Men of America Collegiate affiliate in Mississippi at Rust College.

Moreover, they have operated a successful Summer Educational Enrichment and Mentoring (SEEM) Program in partnership with the 100 Black Men of Jackson, Inc., the Mississippi Department of Human Services, and key local organizations.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the 100 Black Men of Grenada, Inc., for their resilience and the hard work they do for their community.

CELEBRATING THE COMMITTED
SERVICE OF COMMAND SER-
GEANT MAJOR MICHAEL P.
GEDEON

HON. TROY A. CARTER

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Mr. CARTER of Louisiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the committed service of Command Sergeant Major Michael Gedeon.

CMS Gedeon has been a fearless leader and public servant since he joined the Army on November 24, 1982. Serving 39 years of Active and Reserve Army service, he has shown tremendous courage and dedication to this country.

Following Basic Training and Advanced Initial Training, he was allocated to the 1st Signal Battalion in Kaiserslautern West Germany from 1983 to 1985, and afterward served in the 501st Signal Battalion, 101st Airborne Division.

CSM Gedeon was deployed from 2004 to 2005 and 2009 to 2010 to Haiti for Operation Uphold Democracy, Operation Joint Endeavor in Bosnia, and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Returning to American soil, he entered the US Army Reserve in the HHC second Psychological Operations Group and settled in Parma Ohio.

As a life-long learner, CSM Gedeon started his military education with the Combat Lifesaver Course and ultimately ending with the Battalion Pre-Command Course in 2015.

Since 1987, he has served in various second POG—non combat—units and rose through the ranks to ultimately become a Command Sergeant Major in February of 2013. The rank of CMS is the most senior enlisted member of a color-bearing Army unit, and serves as a spokesman to address all the issues of soldiers to the unit commander. He also began working as the Director of Instruction in the twelfth/100th CA/MISO Training Battalion.

In the latter half of his military career, CSM Gedeon accepted his first Command Sergeant Major assignment for the 16th Psychological Operations Battalion in Fort Sheridan, Illinois in January of 2014. His second assignment was the 11th Psychological Operations Battalion in White Plains, Maryland in April of

2016 to July of 2019 and his final assignment was in February of 2019, as the 2nd Psychological Operations Group Command Sergeant Major.

With over 3 decades of experience, the Army has honored CSM Gedeon with multiple awards signifying his dedication and service to this country. His many decorations include the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal and many others.

After a lifetime of service at home and abroad, CSM Gedeon is now retired from duty and currently resides in Cleveland, Ohio where he works at a law firm and parents two young daughters, Paige and Molly.

A huge congratulations to Hon. CSM Michael P. Gedeon. We thank him for his service.

CONGRATULATING ENTERPRISE
HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAM

HON. BARRY MOORE

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Mr. MOORE of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I am proud to honor an outstanding group of young men from my hometown who represented both their school and state this season.

Enterprise Native, Head Coach, and friend, Coach Rhett Harrelson, led his team to their first-ever Wildcat 7A championship win. This team showed dedication and determination this season as they rallied around one another for the final game. To the players, Keion Dunlap, Jordan Hines, Elijah Terry, Tomar Hobdy, Kenneth Mitchell, Jr., Tre Kemmerlin, Mykel Johnson, Eric Winters, Dylan Baldwin, Tristan Agard, Quentin Hayes, Matther Reed, Nick Roberts, Talmadge Sessions, and Reese Dowling, cherish this win and continue to represent the wildcats with the same attitude you showed throughout the season and through long hours of practice. You knew as a team what it meant to get to this point in your basketball career and how to accomplish the goals you set for your team and yourself. Celebrate this win and remember the legacy you are creating as the first team in Enterprise history to win the championship.

To assistant coaches and staff Clark Quisenberry, John Wadsworth, and Keith Sesions, I thank them for molding these students into the young men that we see today. I thank them for their dedication to their student-athletes as they worked long hours to teach them not only how to play the game well, but also how to love the sport. I know they will cherish this win and will continue to mentor students for years to come.

To the fans, we thank them for always going the extra mile to be at games and always making sure their team was represented throughout the season.

As a fellow wildcat, I want to honor this amazing team for all that they have accomplished, and I can't wait to see their legacy continue. May this commemoration forever be preserved.

AFFORDABLE INSULIN NOW ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. GARRET GRAVES

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 31, 2022

Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana. Madam Speaker, Pharma Bro Martin Shkreli should have dozens of jailbird colleagues for the unethical practices of many in the pharmaceutical industry. There is no question that the price of insulin, EpiPens, asthma inhalers and hundreds of other drugs are multiple times what they should be and that needs to change. While I support the goal of H.R. 6833, as written the bill does nothing to actually lower the price of insulin—and zero for other drugs. The bill simply mandates that the out-of-pocket cost not exceed \$35 for insulin. If you think insurance companies are just going to eat this extra cost then I've got a bridge to sell. Insurance companies will simply increase premiums to cover the extra cost. This means everyone pays more. It's a shell game. Obamacare has been a mess and that law doesn't need any help in further raising insurance premiums. For that reason, I will vote 'NAY' for the bill. The solution here is to actually lower the cost of the prescriptions. This can be done by stopping patent abuse by pharmaceutical companies, allowing importation of drugs from countries with appropriate quality control, and incentivizing generic manufacturers. H.R. 19 is a bill that takes steps in the right direction. I would vote for that, but I am working with another bipartisan group on a better solution.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Mr. KATKO. Madam Speaker, I missed the vote on Roll Call No. 108 on April 4, 2022. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 108.

HONORING ROY SEKINE FOR HIS
SERVICE TO THE COUNTY OF
KERN, CALIFORNIA

HON. KEVIN MCCARTHY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Mr. MCCARTHY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Roy Sekine on his retirement from the County of Kern in California after 31 years of service to our community.

A friend and public servant, Roy attended college at California State University, Bakersfield, graduating in 1991 with a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science. While still a college senior, Roy began working at the Kern County Library—which currently serves over 850,000 county residents—as a systems coordinator. Maintaining his employment with the organization upon graduation, Roy spent the next six years transforming the library system. Roy's tireless efforts led to the installation of the first public internet terminal at Beale Library, the